

**Committee Notes – Joint Meeting**  
**Security Committee- Hollywood Entertainment District, Sunset and Vine BID**  
**May 12, 2011**

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Attendance: HED Committee Members Present: Thaddeus Smith, Phil Royle, Mark Supper.  
Not Present: John Tronson, Chairperson; Dan Chismire, Carol Massie, and Jim McPartlin.  
SVBID Committee Members Present: Fred Rosenthal, Chairperson; Fabio Conti, Roxanna Sassanian. Not Present: Richard Falzone, Patrick Olmstead. Liaisons: Steve Seyler, Joe Salazar, Mike Harkins, Andrews International; Sgt. DeBondt, Deputy Thompson, Deputy Rivas, LASD; Officer Pesqueira, Officer Isabella, LAPD; Staff: Kerry Morrison, Joe Mariani Jr., Hollywood Property Owners Alliance. Guests: None

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Fred Rosenthal at 10:05 a.m.
- II. Public Comment: No Public Comment
- III. Meeting Notes: The committee approved their meeting notes from their March 10, 2011 meeting.
- IV. Reports

A. Report from Andrews International: Steve Seyler reported that Andrews International officers continue to remain busy. The teams have made a combined total of 445 arrests this year, with 28 of them being for felonies. Additionally, the team made 299 homeless referrals, assisted 128 agencies, and handled over 1,200 calls for service for 2011. Andrews' supervisors also attended 22 community meetings since the last Security meeting, and continue to remain an active community partner to law enforcement agencies in the area.

B. Report from LAPD: LAPD has deployed their TAB (Target Arrested Beggars) and Parole Impact Units in the Hollywood area. The teams deal with parolees who may be homeless in the Hollywood area. Officer Pesqueira also reported that the division recently had 11 officers removed to be placed in other areas, due to the lack of manpower across the city. Crime in the area continues to remain down, with the exception of property crimes which have been on the rise due to negligence on the part of citizens who leave expensive products in plain sight when leaving their cars.

C. Report from LA Sheriff's Department: Sgt. Gary DeBondt informed the committee that the LASD has stepped up its deployment in wake of the recent national security happenings. Deputy Rivas and Deputy Thompson also reported that they, and other undercover officers, have continued to patrol the Vine Street Metro Plaza on a regular basis in order to ensure that the area does not revert back to how it was six months ago.

## **Minutes – Joint Meeting**

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#### **V. Old Business**

A. Update on Activities Related to Community Impact Team/Sidewalk Nuisance Abatement: Joe Mariani reported that he and Devin Strecker are in the process of obtaining quotes for printing the Safe Sidewalk Signage and cards that businesses in the Hollywood and Highland area can post and hand out to patrons to let them know they are not obligated to tip characters or vendors.

B. Homeless Registry Revisited: Kerry Morrison invited the committee to attend today's Hollywood Homeless Registry One Year Anniversary Event at the LA Film School. The event will highlight the tremendous progress the community has made in housing 35 chronically homeless individuals in just one year.

C. Cahuenga Corridor Meetings: Morrison and Mariani have been meeting with the Cahuenga Corridor businesses to try and mitigate the issues occurring on the block in relation to multiple valet stands. Morrison is drafting an RFP with the help of several of the businesses on the block, so that one valet company can be shared amongst various businesses, helping to alleviate the traffic and congestion on the street during busy nights.

D. W Plaza Activation Update: Metro and the W have finished reviewing an agreement to have a hot dog vendor out on the plaza. The BID has already purchased and received the tables and chairs that will be out on the platform. Morrison informed the committee that the hot dog vendor is currently reviewing the final draft, and hopes she will be out on the platform by June.

#### **VI. New Business**

A. Recommend Using Security Contingency to aid City's Weekend Late Night Enforcement Efforts: Morrison reported that at the last Safe Sidewalk Task Force Meeting, the committee discussed with the health department raising funds (approximately \$14,000) to pay overtime costs to have inspectors come out at least one time a week during the summer months to keep illegal vending from occurring on the Boulevard during the early nighttime hours. The committee proposed approaching the HPOA Board to request that the board contribute \$5,000 to the effort from their Security Contingency budget.

VII. Next Meeting: The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 9, 2011 at 10 a.m. in Suite 200 of the Taft Building (1680 Vine St., Los Angeles, CA. 90028).

VIII. Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Committee Chair Fred Rosenthal at 11:00 a.m.